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February 29, 2008

MEMORANDUM

To: Representative Wood

From: Mary Gibson-Glass, Sr. Legislative Attorney, (608) 267–3215

Subject: Technical Memorandum to 2007 AB 781 (LRB-3610/3) by DOR

We received the attached technical memorandum relating to your bill. This copy is for your information and your file.

If you wish to discuss this memorandum or the necessity of revising your bill or preparing an amendment, please contact me.

MEMORANDUM

February 28, 2008

TO: Mary Gibson-Glass

Legislative Reference Bureau

FROM: Paul Ziegler

Department of Revenue

SUBJECT: Technical Memorandum on 2007 AB 781 Regarding Creating a Sub-class of land

under the Managed Forest Land (MFL) Law for "Limited Access"

We have the following concerns with the bill:

(1) There appears to be no limit on the amount of MLF enrolled land an owner can declare to be "limited access". Is this interpretation correct?

- (2) If the intent of the law is to permit MFL land owners in general to be able to designate their land as "limited access", the term should be more clearly defined. If, on the other hand, the intent is to limit who is permitted to designate land as "limited access", then the bill should be clarified on this point. As written, any MFL landowner could designate land as "limited access".
- (3) The proposed legislation makes no provision for the funding of the costs involved in administering the activities required. If the author wishes to provide funding, appropriation language could be developed and costs allocated in the following manner:

	Chapter 20	Amount	FTE
one-time	s. 20.566 (3) (a)	\$ 161,400	
annual	s. 20.566 (2 (a)	\$ 7,100	0.25

If you have any questions regarding the non-costs items of this technical memorandum, please contact Daniel Huegel at (608) 266-5705. For questions on costs, please contact Julie Raes at (608) 267-9892.

cc: Representative Jeff Wood